

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, May 29, 2022

Sermon Scriptures

Matt. 11:2 ¶ Now when **John, while imprisoned**, heard of the works of Christ, he sent *word* by his disciples

John 3:28-31 **28** “You yourselves are my witnesses that **I said, ‘I am not the Christ,’** but, ‘I have been sent ahead of Him.’ **29** “He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom’s voice. So this joy of mine has been made full. **30** “**He must increase, but I must decrease.** **31** ¶ “He who comes from above is above all, he who is of the earth is from the earth and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all.

Matt. 4:12 ¶ Now when Jesus heard that **John had been taken into custody**, He withdrew into Galilee;

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Matt. 3:7, 11, 12 **7** ¶ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers, **who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?** **11** ¶ “As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you **with the Holy Spirit and fire.** **12** “His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but **He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”**

1 Pet. 1:10, 11 **10** ¶ As to this salvation, **the prophets** who prophesied of the grace that *would come* to you **made careful searches and inquiries,** **11** seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them **was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.**

John 1:29 ¶ The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

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Luke 7:19 Summoning **two of his disciples**, John sent them to the Lord, saying, “**Are You the Expected One**, or do we look for someone else?”

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Luke 7:20 When the men came to Him, they said, “John the Baptist has sent us to You, to ask, ‘Are You the Expected One, **or do we look for someone else?’”**

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Luke 7:21 **At that very time He cured many people** of diseases and afflictions and evil spirits; and He gave sight to many *who were* blind.

Luke 7:22 And He answered and said to them, “Go and report to John what you have seen and heard: *the* BLIND RECEIVE SIGHT, *the* lame walk, *the* lepers are cleansed, and *the* deaf hear, *the* dead are raised up, *the* POOR HAVE THE GOSPEL PREACHED TO THEM.

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Matt. 11:4 Jesus answered and said to them, “Go and report to John what you hear and see:

Isa. 29:18, 19 18 On that day the deaf will hear words of a book, And out of *their* gloom and darkness the **eyes of the blind will see.** **19** **The afflicted** also will increase their gladness in the LORD, And **the needy** of mankind will rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

Isa. 35:5, 6 5 Then the eyes of **the blind** will be opened And the ears of **the deaf** will be unstopped. **6** Then **the lame will leap** like a deer, And the **tongue of the mute** will shout for joy. For waters will break forth in the wilderness And streams in the Arabah.

Luke 7:23 “Blessed is he **who does not take offense at Me.**”

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Matt. 11:7-9 7 ¶ As these men were going *away*, **Jesus began to speak to the crowds** about John, “**What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind?** **8** “**But what did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft *clothing*?** Those who wear soft *clothing* are in kings’ palaces! **9** “**But what did you go out to see? A prophet?** Yes, I tell you, and **one who is more than a prophet.**

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Matt. 11:10 “This is the one about whom it is written, ‘**BEHOLD, I SEND MY MESSENGER AHEAD OF YOU, WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY BEFORE YOU.**’

Mal. 3:1 ¶ “Behold, I am going to send My messenger, and he will clear the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming,” says the LORD of hosts.

Is. 40:3 ¶ A voice is calling, “**Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God.**

Mark 1:2, 3 2 ¶ As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: “**BEHOLD, I SEND MY MESSENGER AHEAD OF YOU, WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY;** **3** **THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, ‘MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT.’”**

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Matt. 11:11 “Truly I say to you, among **those born of women there has not arisen anyone greater than John the Baptist!** Yet the one who is **least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.**

Jer. 31:31-34 **31** ¶ “Behold, days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a **new covenant** with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, **32** not like the covenant which I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, although I was a husband to them,” declares the LORD. **33** “But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days,” declares the LORD, “**I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it;** and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. **34** “They will not teach again, each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ **for they will all know Me,** from the least of them to the greatest of them,” declares the LORD, “for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”

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Matt. 11:13-15 **13** “For all the prophets and the Law prophesied until John. **14** “And if you are willing to accept *it*, **John himself is Elijah who was to come.** **15** “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

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Luke 7:29, 30 **29** When all **the people and the tax collectors** heard *this*, they acknowledged God’s justice, having been baptized with the baptism of John. **30** But the **Pharisees and the lawyers rejected God’s purpose for themselves**, not having been baptized by John.

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Luke 7:33, 34 **33** “For **John the Baptist** has come eating no bread and drinking no wine, and you say, ‘He has a demon!’

34 “**The Son of Man** has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Behold, a gluttonous man and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’